

Continuing Education Requirement for Mechanic or Paint and Body Technicians

The Miami-Dade County Motor Vehicle Repair Ordinance requires that all mechanics or paint and body technicians must earn sixteen (16) hours of continuing education each year. The requirement affects mechanics or paint and body technicians that apply or renew their Motor Vehicle Repair Certification on or after January 1, 2000.

Only programs provided by eligible continuing education providers can fulfill the continuing education requirement.

What do you need to do?

Effective January 1, 2000, you must provide with your renewal application copies of all certificates of completion or other documentation provided by the continuing education provider which demonstrates your successful completion of sixteen (16) hours of education per year.

Multiple certificates may be submitted to achieve the total required hours (for example, four courses of four hours each).

The certificate of completion or documentation received from the continuing education provider must contain:

1. The name of the entity
2. Course name
3. Course area(s) of certification (e.g. Engine Repair, Structural Analysis and Damage Repair, etc.)
4. Name of instructor(s)
5. Total number of hours completed
6. Date (if on-site) or date of completion (if self study).

In order to make continuing education courses readily available, the following establishments are eligible to provide continuing education courses:

1. Educational institutions certified by a State or Local School Board;
2. Manufacturers of Automobiles/Trucks and related products;
3. Bona-fide self-study or correspondence programs; and,
4. Automotive associations.

Important!

In addition, the applicant's status may be downgraded to Apprentice, and/or the applicant may be subject to appropriate civil penalties.

If you have any questions regarding the continuing education requirements, please contact the Motor Vehicle Licensing Section at (305) 375-4222.